

lence in science, engineering, and economics at the center to promote the purposes described in subsection (a) of this section through the State agricultural experiment station, cooperative extension services, and relevant educational programs of the university.

(2) Grants to land-grant colleges and universities

(A) In general

The sun grant center established for a region shall use the funds that remain available for a fiscal year after expenditures made under paragraph (1) to provide competitive grants to land-grant colleges and universities in the region of the sun grant center to conduct, consistent with the purposes described in subsection (a) of this section, multiinstitutional and multistate—

- (i) research, extension, and educational programs on technology development; and
- (ii) integrated research, extension, and educational programs on technology implementation.

(B) Programs

Of the amount of funds that are used to provide grants for a fiscal year under subparagraph (A), the center shall use—

- (i) not less than 30 percent of the funds to carry out programs described in subparagraph (A)(i); and
- (ii) not less than 30 percent of the funds to carry out programs described in subparagraph (A)(ii).

(3) Indirect costs

A sun grant center may not recover the indirect costs of making grants under paragraph (2) to other land-grant colleges and universities.

(f) Plan

(1) In general

Subject to the availability of funds under subsection (j) of this section, in cooperation with other land-grant colleges and universities and private industry in accordance with paragraph (2), the sun grant centers shall jointly develop and submit to the Secretary, for approval, a plan for addressing at the State and regional levels the bioenergy, biomass, and gasification research priorities of the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Energy for the making of grants under paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (e) of this section.

(2) Gasification coordination

(A) In general

In developing the plan under paragraph (1) with respect to gasification research, the sun grant centers identified in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (d) of this section shall coordinate with land grant colleges and universities in their respective regions that have ongoing research activities with respect to the research.

(B) Funding

Funds made available under subsection (d) of this section to the sun grant center identified

in subsection (e)(2) of this section shall be available to carry out planning coordination under paragraph (1) of this subsection.

(g) Grants to other land-grant colleges and universities

(1) Priority for grants

In making grants under subsection (e)(2) of this section, a sun grant center shall give a higher priority to programs that are consistent with the plan approved by the Secretary under subsection (f) of this section.

(2) Term of grants

The term of a grant provided by a sun grant center under subsection (e)(2) of this section shall not exceed 5 years.

(h) Grant information analysis center

The sun grant centers shall maintain a Sun Grant Information Analysis Center at the sun grant center specified in subsection (d)(1) of this section to provide sun grant centers analysis and data management support.

(i) Annual reports

Not later than 90 days after the end of a year for which a sun grant center receives a grant under subsection (d) of this section, the sun grant center shall submit to the Secretary a report that describes the policies, priorities, and operations of the program carried out by the center during the year, including a description of progress made in facilitating the priorities described in subsection (f) of this section.

(j) Authorization of appropriations

(1) In general

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section—

- (A) \$25,000,000 for fiscal year 2005;
- (B) \$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2006; and
- (C) \$75,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2007 through 2010.

(2) Grant information analysis center

Of amounts made available under paragraph (1), not more than \$4,000,000 for each fiscal year shall be made available to carry out subsection (h) of this section.

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CHAPTER 108—TREE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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§ 8201. Definitions

In this chapter:

(1) Eligible orchardist

The term “eligible orchardist” means a person that produces annual crops from trees for commercial purposes.